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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the final Office Action dated August 30, 2007 [Paper No. 20070827] and further to the December 18, 2007 Notice of Panel Decision From Pre-Appeal Brief Review [Paper No. 20071213].

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: